

Patent Claims

1. A holder for attaching additional parts to a pipe/rib block (19) of a heat exchanger and/or for supporting the heat exchanger, wherein the pipe/rib block (19) has end faces (19a, 19b) which are arranged parallel to one another and side faces or side parts (21), characterized in that the holder is embodied as a clip connection of two clamping elements (1, 10) which can be latched to one another, hold the pipe/rib block (19) between them and are made, in particular, of plastic.

2. The holder as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the clamping elements (1, 10) have pressing faces (2, 11) which can be pressed against the end faces (19a, 19b), in that a clamping element (10) has latching arms (16, 17) which engage over the side face (21), and the other clamping element (1) has holding pockets (6) which receive the latching arms (16, 17).

3. The holder as claimed in claim 2, characterized in that the latching arms are embodied as sprung tongues (16, 17) with latching projections (18).

4. The holder as claimed in claim 2 or 3, characterized in that the holding pockets (6) have ramps (7) for introducing the tongues (16) and latching faces (8) for locking the latching projections (18).

5. The holder as claimed in claim 2, 3 or 4, characterized in that the pressing faces (2, 11) have protruding, pointed holding elements (3, 4; 12, 13) which can be pressed into the end faces (19a, 19b).

6. The holder as claimed in claim 5, characterized in that the holding elements (14, 13) are each arranged at a distance from the pipes (20) of the pipe/rib block

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7. The holder as claimed in claim 5 or 6,
characterized in that the holding elements (3, 12) are
5 arranged in series, parallel to the pipes (20).

8. The holder as claimed in one of claims 1 to 7,
characterized in that at least one clamping element
(10) has attachment and/or supporting means (14, 15).

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9. The holder as claimed in claim 8, characterized in
that the attachment and/or supporting means are
embodied as holding pins (14, 15).